MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR (*Shertallai*): Was this not the condition even before three years?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The inclination of better class of students is towards the Science Group.

MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR (*Shertallai*): Is it the member's opinion that students in History class are deteriorating in intellect?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not say that. The tendency generally is for the brighter students to take the Science Group.

MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR (*Shertallai*): Is this deterioration observed in the University Examinations?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That information is not here.

Statement, by castes, of appointments made by the Inspectress of Girls' Schools.

217. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha cum Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by castes, of appointments made by the present Inspectress of Girls' Schools since she took charge of her office up to the 1st Mithunam 1102?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): As the present Inspectress of Girls' Schools has been in charge of her appointment from 1084, the statistics required extend over a period of more than 18 years. As the preparation of such a statement is impracticable, the Government regret they cannot furnish it.

Admission of Students to the Junior Intermediate and B. A. Classes of the Science College.

218. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of applications received for admission to the Intermediate and B. A. classes in the Science College during this year (1102);

(*b*) the number of students admitted to those classes;

(*c*) the number of admissions to the Intermediate and B. A. classes in 1101;

(*d*) the number of foreigners admitted this year;

(*e*) whether the Government have issued instructions to restrict the number of fresh admissions, and, if so, the number restricted in each class; and

(*f*) whether it is a fact that students who have passed the Intermediate Examination from the Science College were refused admission to the B. A. class, and, if so, how many such students were refused admission.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) The member is referred to the answer given to parts (*a*), (*b*), and (*c*) (*d*) of question 196 asked by Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai.

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(*d*) The member is referred to the answer given to question No. 36 asked by Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai at the meeting of the Council held on the 1st August 1927.

(*e*) The member is referred to the answer given to question No. 67 asked by Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai at the meeting of the Council held on the 5th August 1927.

(*f*) No.

Report of the University Committee.

219. **MR. N. KUMARAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the University Committee submitted its report to the Government; and

(*b*) whether they will furnish copies of the report to the members of this House?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 8th January 1925.

(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Is the member aware that the University Committee was appointed at the instance of this Council?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Then why are the reports not made available to the members of this Council?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It has been said that the copies will be distributed to the members of the Council, when the question comes up for consideration.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): That is to say, Government are waiting for the discussion of the subject in the Council when the Government will distribute copies to members?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Not before that?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

Exemption of Boats and Canoes in Kuttanad from the operation of the Canals and Ferries Regulation.

220. **MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Ambalapuzha*): (1) Are the Government aware that the operation of the Canals and Ferries Regulation in Kuttanad causes hardship and inconvenience to inhabitants?

(2) If so, will the Government be pleased to exempt boats and canoes in use in Kuttanad region from the operation of the Canals and Ferries Regulation?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (1) Yes. From the address presented to the Dewan during his tour in Kuttanad, it is understood that some inconvenience is caused to the inhabitants there by the operation of the Public Canals and Public Ferries Regulation.

(2) The matter will be carefully considered.

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